

# Wallace Hits Jones' War Obstruction

## Misrepresented BEW, Vice-Pres. Charges

WASHINGTON, June 20 (UP).—Vice-President Henry A. Wallace accused Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones to-day of making "harmful misrepresentations" about the Board of Economic Warfare, of carrying out "obstructionist tactics" in his dealings with the BEW and of failing, when the responsibility was his, to create sufficient stockpiles of scarce critical materials and drugs.

In a blunt and detailed statement, Wallace, as chairman of the BEW, asserted that Jones had testified falsely about the BEW before the Joint Congressional Economy Committee. Wallace declared that the time has come to free the board's administrative employees "from this ham-stringing bureaucracy and backdoor complaining of Mr. Jones and his employees."

### HELP SHORTEN WAR

The Vice-President said that Jones' attitude toward the BEW stemmed from President Roosevelt's action of April 13, 1942, in giving the board "complete control of all public purchase import operations," a control previously exercised by Jones' Reconstruction Finance Corp.

"Mr. Jones has never been willing to accept that fact," Wallace said. "He has instead done much to harass the administrative employees of the board in their single-minded effort to help shorten this war by securing adequate stocks of strategic materials."

Wallace quoted from the May report of the Senate Truman Committee which alluded to "destructive, wasteful feuding" among government administrators and suggesting that "where necessary, heads must be knocked together."

Accusing Jones of "destructive, wasteful feuding," Wallace continued:

"The Board of Economic Warfare has tried for over a year now to do its job in spite of the obstructionist tactics Mr. Jones has employed from time to time."

Jones and the RFC, Wallace asserted, had previously "failed" mainly, so far as the import field was concerned, to build the government stockpiles authorized and directed by the Congress nearly 18 months before Pearl Harbor."

## FDR Raps Press On Phony Stories

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, June 20.—President Roosevelt today criticized the nation's press for impeding the war effort on the home front.

The President was asked at opening of his press conference whether he didn't think the "administration front" is in bad shape compared to the war fronts.

He advised reporters to take a look around the country and get their illustrations. If these were done, he said, "you would find that the war effort is going pretty well."

Don't you think we're getting out the production? he asked.

Questioned by reporters about inner agency conflicts, the President said that these were in many cases created by the press.

And he said that this had been done by almost all of those in the room at his press conference.

Asked for specific examples, the President cited the stories in several newspapers spreading rumors about immorality in the WAACs.

That was a newspaper job, he declared. He added that these reports gave a great many parents heartburn.

The principal source of spreading these reports was John O'Donnell's column in the New York Daily News.

The President said that he didn't necessarily blame individual reporters for stories of this kind.

He emphasized that they receive orders to write stories which he considered harmful. He said that this made it awfully tough for reporters who have to earn a livelihood.

## Senate Hits Kerr For Third Time

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, June 20.—The House and the Senate went into a new deadlock today on the issue of the Kerr Committee's black list of anti-fascist employees.

By a 45 to 31 vote, the Senate held firm for the third time against bringing three anti-fascist employees, Goodwin Watson, William E. Dodd, and Robert Morse Lovett.

The House was equally firm in favor of black listing these government workers because they had sought fascism, in two votes of 249 to 21 and 204 to 22.

The poor House showing against the Kerr black list was accounted for in part by the continuing absence of liberal congressmen from New York and other metropolitan centers.

The Senate test came on a "compromise" worked out by House and Senate conferees which would have postponed firing the three employees until Nov. 18, and then would have made their continued service with the government possible only if the President appointed them and they were approved by the Senate.

Senate majority leader Alben Barkley protested bitterly against the "compromise" as "offensive" and a "return to tyrannical methods."

"Such action by any legislative body outrages all principles of fair play and democracy that we think we are fighting to defend," he declared.

Others who spoke against the conference report were Senator James

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## Mayor Greets Soviet Artists



Two noted Soviet artists, members of a Jewish delegation recently arrived here, are shown being warmly greeted yesterday by Mayor LaGuardia at his office in City Hall. The two artists are S. Michael, famous Soviet actor and Isaac Feffer, writer. The visitors, who were also given a reception at the Soviet Consulate here, will address a huge rally at the Polo Grounds here on Thursday, July 2.

## Foes of President Defeated At Michigan CIO Parley

By Frank Ryhlick

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

DETROIT, Mich., June 29.—A powerful and dramatic address by President R. J. Thomas of the United Auto Workers today gave tremendous impetus to win-the-war forces at the Michigan CIO convention in their efforts to build unity around the war leadership of President Roosevelt and CIO leader Philip Murray.

Trotzkite, Lewis and Klan elements shifted uneasily and sat in glum silence as

## Soviet Delegates Meet La Guardia

Thomas boldly took the offensive on the issues of labor's no-strike pledge and the activity of Klan elements in the anti-Negro riots of last week.

"I know the problems you face," he said, "and I know that some have talked about strikes since the passage of the Connally-Smith bill. But I say that you can't fight two wars at one time. I say that the No. 1 aim of the labor movement must be—even now—the winning of the war against Nazism."

Before Pearl Harbor, I had the record of authorizing more strikes than any other labor leader, but let's not get our eyes off the main problem today. I still say we have a war to win."

### FIRST JOB—HITLER

Thomas declared he hoped that "one of our union brothers will never come back, wounded and maimed because the United Auto Workers would not get them the material to win the war." He concluded by reiterating the powerful main theme of his speech:

"Let's never forget that our first job is to see that Hitler, Hirohito and Mussolini are run off the face of the earth."

Klan elements boozed as Thomas was introduced, but most of the 1,300 registered delegates cheered him. When Thomas finished, there was no boozing, and even such Trotzkite leaders as Emil Mazyk, chairman of the Resolutions Committee,

### SOCIAL CHAT

For 30 minutes the Mayor discussed in Yiddish the common cultural problems of the U.S. and the USSR with the Soviet delegation.

He chatted with newspapermen and photographers from his office when the two Russian-Jewish leaders entered, stating, "I want to have a short social visit with my friends."

Mr. Michael is director, founder and star of the Moscow Jewish State Theatre and People's Artist of the Republic. He is the holder of the highest award of the Soviet Union, the Order of Lenin.

Feffer is an outstanding poet and a Lieutenant Colonel in the Red Army.

The two will address a meeting at the Polo Grounds, Thursday, July 2.

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## City CIO Delegation Hits House Absentees

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Three hundred New York citizens representing 500,000 of their fellow CIO members—came down to Washington today with one message to their congressmen:

Support President Roosevelt's win-the-war leadership and stay on the job in Congress.

Aroused at the absence of 13 New York City congressmen last Friday which might have turned the tide against overriding the President's veto on the Smith-Connally bill, the CIO delegation really hit out against absenteeism among the New York delegation.

Every delegate had a statement in his hand, which they termed a "report card," showing how New York congressmen voted and whether they were present on the vote on the OPA and OWI appropriations, the Smith-Connally veto, and the bill to bar subsidies.

Splitting up into twenty-six groups, one delegation to each con-

gressman, and the two congressmen-at-large, the CIO lobby stressed four main points in each interview:

Support President Roosevelt's two billion dollar subsidy program; vote for restoration of OPA, OCD, OWI and Department of Labor appropriations; support the Gavagan anti-lynch bill, the anti-poll tax bill.

Congressman Walter Lynch's bill prohibiting anti-Semitism, and Department of Justice investigation into race riots; and remain in Washington while Congress is in session.

A delegation of five leaders of the CIO lobby met with Colonel Marvin McIntyre, the President's secretary, who received them very cordially. The group presented a statement pledging whole-hearted support behind the President's leadership "in these new times which try men's souls" and urged him to take his case to the people. McIntyre indicated the President might soon

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## Raid Leningrad All Day; Blast Cologne, Hamburg

### 25 Planes Lost In Two-Pronged Ruhr Attack

LONDON, June 20 (UP).—Hundreds of British bombers, roaring over Europe in the 10th straight night of attacks on Germany's war industries, blasted the Rhineland's queen city of Cologne "in great strength" last night and simultaneously attacked the northwest German port and submarine center of Hamburg.

Indicating another big raid to-night, a very heavy force of Allied planes, including many four-engined bombers, crossed the southeast English coast in waves this evening, coastal observers reported.

Flying at great height, they proceeded in the direction of Calais and returned 45 minutes later, still flying so high they were almost invisible.

Twenty-five bombers were lost in Monday night's double-edged assault. Canadian planes, two of which were lost, cooperated with the RAF in the war's 11th raid on Cologne, which observers believed was as heavy as the recent 2,000-ton attacks on Krefeld, Dortmund and Dusseldorf in the Ruhr.

### HISTORIC EDIFICE

German broadcasts and dispatches from Sweden, which often reflect enemy propaganda, asserted that the medieval Cologne cathedral, a masterpiece of Gothic architecture, suffered direct hits.

British authorities withheld comment until reconnaissance photographs are examined, but pointed out that military objectives, such as the main railway station, are adjacent to the cathedral and it was possible that bombs blasting the war targets might have damaged the historic edifice.

While the big bombers were over Cologne and Hamburg, Typhoon fighters and Albacores of the fleet air arm attacked a convoy of three merchantmen, heavily escorted by E-boats, in the Dover Strait, damaging one supply ship and at least two escort vessels.

Intuder patrols simultaneously attacked railway targets in France. Activity over France continued in daylight when two British fighters on patrol destroyed two Junkers-88 and four Heinkel-111s—the latter a two-seated reconnaissance monoplane.

Cologne is a continental traffic center and produces railroad equipment, steel, munitions, rubber goods, submarine accessories, chemicals and machinery. It was blasted amid clouds of smoke that made full observation of the results difficult, the Air Ministry said.

### FACES DEATH

If convicted, De Spreiter faces the death penalty or a maximum prison term of 30 years.

His mechanical engineering background, acquired at Heidelberg University and technical universities at Stuttgart and Berlin, enabled De Spreiter to provide Lehmitz with technical information on weapons and defense measures. The two frequently met in secluded spots on Staten Island. FBI agents said, when De Spreiter also gave information on shipping he gathered by riding the Staten Island ferry and walking the waterfront. Lehmitz was an air raid warden.

At his arrest De Spreiter was operating the Astoria Heat Treating and Braising Corp., 424 E. 48th St., New York City, which had subcontracted on gunsight parts for the armed forces.

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### Red Air Force Downs 19 Nazi Planes in One Raid

LONDON, June 29 (UP).—Moscow revealed today that the Germans had opened a 24-hour-a-day aerial attack on the Leningrad defense area, while German reports said that the Russians had opened attacks in the Staraya Russa sector, south of Leningrad, and in the Spas Demensk sector, 70 miles southeast of Smolensk.

Taking advantage of the subarctic summer, when there is almost no darkness, the Germans are sending their planes over in relays at all hours, Moscow said.

However, the Soviet dispatches said, Soviet fighters are meeting all German attacks and intercepting them at considerable distances from Leningrad.

### Nazis Now Losing 1 Sub Every Day

OTTAWA, June 29 (UP).—Allied naval and air forces in the Atlantic are sinking German submarines at a rate of one every 24 hours. Malcolm MacDonald, British high commissioner to Canada, indicated at a press conference today.

"On the Atlantic," he said, "we have a submarine for breakfast every morning now. We've got the upper hand now. We are sinking them faster than the Germans are building them, but, of course, I don't know if that will keep up."

He also said that the United Nations will smash at Europe soon in "several places."

"It won't be long now," MacDonald said. "There won't be one big smash, but several of them in several places. The part played by our British allies will be of greatest importance."

"The whole strategy," he said, "is to smash enemy production—not their people. The bombs are just one of the preparatory steps. All sorts of things have to be arranged for. Everything must be just right for the successive smash. But, as I already have said, I think it won't be long."

### BULLETINS

WASHINGTON, June 29 (UP).—A Senate Appropriations Subcommittee tonight recommended restoration of a \$47,000,000 House stash in OPA funds and allotting \$3,000,000 to OWI to finance domestic operations ordered terminated by the House.

The full committee was to consider these suggestions later to-night, having received consent to report the \$2,000,000 war agencies bill to the Senate while members are in session so that it will top the order of business tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, June 29 (UP).—The War Labor Board tonight announced the results of the Administration's food price stabilization program in a statement asserting that WLB wage controls were definitely linked to the cost of living.

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## Phantom Divisions

### By a Veteran Commander

BERNE, that perennial source of gossip, tells us that there are 96 German divisions strung out between the North Cape in Norway and Cape Matapan in Greece, to say nothing of miscellaneous satellite divisions. The bulk of the Italian army being in southern Europe and this bulk consisting of probably not much less than 100 divisions,

we are expected to believe that altogether the Axis has some 200 divisions ready to face the Allies if and when they decide to strike. In other words it would appear by "Berne count" that the Axis forces facing the Allies in the West are approximately equal in numbers to those facing the Red Army in the East, with the only difference that in the East German troops are in an overwhelming majority, while in the West they are watered down "half-and-half."

We were also served up a choice piece of military "intelligence" two days ago when we were told that there were indications that "the Germans had shifted 50 divisions from the Eastern Front to the West."

All this would be innocuous nonsense if it were not designed to provide clippings for not opening a Second Front in Europe this summer.

All these divisions are nothing but phantoms. If the Germans could only muster 300 divisions this summer, they would have started the only decisive operations that would amount to something for them, i.e. a grand offensive on the Eastern Front for another try at a K.O. They don't seem to feel they can afford it. This means that they haven't got the 300 German divisions to play around with.

There is little doubt that the German High Command, in view of the aggressive attitude of the Red Army along the entire front, is not and does not intend to move a single division westward. If they had decided to do so they would have long ago moved back to a shorter defense line. They have not done so. Therefore, they are not moving out any troops and for the simple reason that their most dangerous foe is still the Red Army, and they know it.

It must be reluctantly admitted that the "smokescreen" of words and utterances on our side—threats, rejections, contradictions, etc.—is becoming slightly silly. Stony silence on our part, followed by determined action would be both more dignified and effective than a lot of hot air and no action.

When will actual combat take the place of countless statements?

## Baltic Fleet Fliers Driving Nazis from Sea

By Major M. Litin  
(Published in Pravda)

MOSCOW, June 23 (ICN).—For a rather long time the Baltic airmen engaged in the fulfillment of different assignments and did not harass enemy ships and transports in the Baltic Sea. And the enemy evidently was sure that his sea routes in these parts were secure.

But the beginning of the 1943 navigation season brought bitter disappointment to the Germans. The Soviet airmen now freely sweep over enemy territory and wing their way to the distant communications of the Baltic, where they successfully sink enemy transports overtaken in different parts of the Baltic Sea.

Towards the end of May the crew of Guards pilot Shibanov torpedoed and sank an enemy transport with a displacement of some 5,000 tons. On its return route the torpedo carrier was discovered by the enemy and for a long time had to fly over enemy territory under incessant fire from AA artillery and German fighter craft. Three times it was attacked by a Messerschmitt 109, but all the three attacks of the German fighter were repelled by well aimed, concentrated fire opened by the torpedo carrier's crew, which landed safely on its aerodrome.

No less interesting and complex was the flight carried out by Hero of the Soviet Union, Guards Captain Balaev. Despite the exceptionally difficult flying conditions, fog, drizzle, and poor visibility, Captain Balaev detected an enemy transport of 5,000 tons and lost no time sending it to the bottom. This is the seventh transport accounted for by Balaev's crew.

The successes of the Baltic airmen in torpedoing the enemy's ships are daily increasing. The airmen of the Northern Fleet have not been slow to follow their example. Possessing considerable fighting experience in torpedo attacks the airmen of the Northern Fleet strike at the enemy's communications in the Barents Sea. In the course of a few months alone of this year one of the Guards torpedo regiments has sunk more than 30 enemy transports with a total displacement of 220,000 tons.

Taught by bitter experience the Germans in the north take all measures to protect their ships from Soviet torpedo carriers. The fascist transports are escorted by strong convoys of battleships and aircraft and avail themselves of foul weather, sea cliffs, the camouflaged coast, etc., to cover their movements. But even under these conditions the airmen of the Northern Fleet discover the enemy and make short shrift of him, as was the case a few days ago when two torpedo carriers sank a tanker and transport with displacements of 6,000 and 8,000 tons respectively in enemy fjords.

At the same time the local sent a letter to President Roosevelt assuring him that "now more than ever" he will receive the support of the shipyard workers. The President was highly lauded for vetoing the Smith-Connally Bill, while the overriding congressmen were sharply condemned.

## Derail Train, Kill Nazis

By Wireless to Inter-Continent News

MOSCOW, June 29. — The German invaders tried to effect the forcible mobilization of all able-bodied citizens in certain districts of the Pinsk region for forced labor in Germany. The majority of inhabitants fled to the woods. The Hitlerites succeeded in rounding up several hundred Soviet citizens. The arrested were entrained and sent to Germany.

Near one station guerrillas blew up the track. When the train halted in front of the damaged section the Soviet citizens jumped from the cars and together with the guerrillas killed the German guards and disappeared.

## Quisling's Pals Turn on Him, Crisis Results

STOCKHOLM, June 29 (ICN).—The Quisling Party in Norway is faced with a critical situation as a result of mass withdrawal of members due to pessimistic estimation of the Axis military outlook, reports reaching here state.

Quite a number of local party branches have at a result ceased to exist. As a further result, however, the labor mobilization measures ordered by the occupationists are paralyzed in those districts.

In Troednelag, less than two percent of the population are members of the Quisling Party; in the Namdal and Namsos districts, less than 1 per cent and throughout the whole of the Nord Troednelag district, approximately 1 per cent. The rest of the population is clearly hostile to the Quisling Party.

It is interesting to note according to the Swedish press that the Norwegians who are only now leaving the ranks of the Quisling Party are not considered "decent" Norwegians and hardly ever succeed in establishing contact with the members of the Patriotic Front.

### GESTAPO PRISON LIST

The Gestapo in Oslo, Norway, has drawn up a list of prominent Norwegian figures who in the event of an Allied landing on Norwegian territory will be sent to a concentration camp against the Germans or assist circles here declare.

The interned persons will pay with their lives if the Norwegian people take part in military operations against the Germans or assist the invaders in any way, the report says.

As a threatening foretaste of new repressive measures, the Nazi occupation authorities in Norway have begun the shipment of all political prisoners to a concentration camp in Germany. A new group of such prisoners, including 15 women, was shipped to Germany a few days

### GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador

One of Ecuador's most prominent union leaders, Francisco Mora Guerrero, was arrested last week for "spreading false rumors and reports concerning national and international problems."

Mora Guerrero, president of the Bakers Union of Guayaquil, which has influence far out of proportion to its 500 members, was elected vice president of the Ecuador Workers Congress last March before it was dissolved by the government.

He was a member of the Working Committee of Ecuador, created at a secret meeting of delegates to the congress before they were dispersed to all parts of the country.

Several days ago, when this correspondent visited Pedro A. Saad, one of the organizers of the Workers Congress, in the jail of the Investigating Police, I plainly heard the cries of Mora, who was being tortured by electrical current—method used by the police to extract confessions from the most stubborn criminals.

Mora's treatment created considerable excitement among organized workers. Pedro Saad's protests to the Chief of Investigation, who personally directed the torture, has resulted in Saad's transfer to a barracks' barracks.

A delegation from the Union Sindicical, which attempted to interview President Arroyo del Rio while he was in this city, was broken up by police.

### Negro, White March July 4

Negro and white women will show the way to combat Fifth Column incitements and riots in New York City.

The event, sponsored by the National Council of Negro Women, is being supported by Women's Club of the International Workers Order.

The parade, which will be the opening of the National Council's "We Serve America Week," will start at 1:30 P.M. from St. Nicholas and W. 136th St. Harlem.

### Stay at Home on Fourth, Warns the Travel Man

WASHINGTON, June 29 (UP).—Defense Transportation Director Joseph B. Eastman today warned persons planning Fourth of July junkets that they may find themselves stranded temporarily and unable to get transportation home at the time planned. The only patriotic way to spend the July holiday weekend, he said, is to stay at home.

### CHUNGKING, June 29 (UP).—Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has been presented with the "Order of the Aztec Eagle," Mexico's highest decoration, it was announced officially today.

### 16 P. C. MEAT RESISTANT OVENGLASS SET!

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For the Slovaks: Louis Adamic, Elbin Kristan, Janko Rogel, Vincenc Cankar, and Mirko Kuhel.

For the Greeks: George Kotsopoulos, John Kotsopoulos, and John Kotsopoulos.

For the Yugoslavs: Vojislav Gacinovich, Rev. Simeonija Maticich, and Rev. Vojislav Gacinovich.

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# Dies Probe Will Inflame Riots, Celler Warns

## Cites Red-Baiter's Incitements

(Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Rep. Emanuel Celler of New York warned today that the Dies committee might inflame new anti-Negro riots in the nation's largest cities if it is permitted to conduct a so-called investigation of race riots.

"To date, 31 lives have been snuffed out as a result of the recent tragic race riots in Detroit," Celler said.

"I fear for conditions in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Baltimore, Boston, Washington, St. Louis, and other large cities should the Dies committee undertake any general investigation of 'racial antagonisms' in the United States."

"If it continues to follow its well-known pastime of 'witch-hunting' 'bills of attainder' and, figuratively speaking, 'the riding out on a rail' of its selected victims, further disorders will naturally follow."

Celler pointed out that the Dies committee would "channelize" such an investigation along biased lines, and pointed to statements by Rep. Martin Dies blaming the Detroit riots on "codling of races."

The New York congressman said that the Dies committee "is now out to get the scalps of some of the heads of the Democratic administration."

"It has thrived on the maintenance of hatreds and frictions and now, the smell of blood and cracking of bones has started it off on a fresh scat."

"There is an old saying, 'too much is enough.' I believe the members of the Dies committee have done 'enough' for their country."

## CIO Leader Says Riots Help Hitler

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., June 29.—Nicholas Tomassetti, CIO member of the Connecticut House of Representatives, told a conference in American Legion Hall here that the anti-Negro rioters in Detroit, Beaumont and Mobile were part of Hitler's fifth column. They sought a negotiated peace, he declared.

Tomassetti was addressing a conference on saving the OPA and the President's program for price control, called by locals of the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers of America.

Mrs. Hazel Bryant, chairman of the Consumer Panel of the Bridgeport OPA, urged more active participation by trade unionists in the government's program.

The conference pledged their fullest support to their Commander-in-Chief, President Roosevelt, whom they praised for the Smith-Connally bill veto. They renewed their no-strike pledge and elected a committee to urge Mayor McLevy to endorse the price control program.

Shop-gate meetings, leaflets and postcard campaigns will aid the price control fight.

## Production At Chrysler Resumed

DETROIT, June 29 (UPI)—Production returned to normal at Chrysler Corporation's Highland Park plants today when the full day shift of 2,200 workers reported after a one-day unauthorized strike.

A company spokesman reported "only normal absenteeism" as the strikers returned to production of guns, tanks, airplanes and Army trucks, ending Detroit's first major stoppage since passage of the anti-strike bill.

The spokesman said the men, members of the United Automobile Workers, CIO, returned to work under an agreement to arbitrate grievances growing out of the suspension of a union shop steward charged by management with having "countermanded" company orders.

## Baltimore C.P. Hold Picnic

BALTIMORE, Md., June 29.—An Independence Day Picnic, to be held Saturday, July 3, will be sponsored by the Communist Party of Baltimore and Young Communist League at the Finnish Picnic Grounds, 703 S. Ponca St. A full 12-hour program of games, entertainment and dancing has been prepared, lasting from 2 P.M. to 2 A.M., in order to take care of all three shifts. Music will be furnished by the Harlem Swingers.

A special feature of the program will be addresses by Louis Budenz, editor of the Daily Worker, and Professor Doxey Wilkerson.



MARTIN DIES

## Davis Aided Foes of Greater Food Output

By Mac Gordon

There's one point about this Chester Davis resignation that has been curiously overlooked.

Davis was appointed War Food Administrator. His job was primarily that of increasing food production. The price question was incidental to that job, insofar as it concerned prices to producers.

How did Davis tackle his job of increasing food production? The report made by five leading Senators to the Kilgore Senate subcommittee on war production last week has this to say:

"Food production goals are presently set back far below requirements and the Food Administrator offers no further cut-backs while insufficient effort is made to promote critical items." Central questions in considering increase of essential agricultural output are conversion from non-essential crop to essential crops, and expansion of the output of the millions of small farms that are producing less than their maxi-

mum.

Davis had up with the very group in Congress and out of it that have blocked both these programs.

Among the enemies of the price control-subsidy program are the producers of non-essential crops. They want general price increases so that they, too, will get higher prices for their non-essential products.

On the other hand, they know

that if prices to the consumer are controlled and if higher prices to producers will depend on government subsidies, they will be left out in the cold unless they convert to essential crops. They don't want to convert and they want higher prices. So they fight the program.

Obviously, if Davis were interested in seeing that our essential food production were increased, he would insist upon subsidies to encourage "promotion of critical items," and he would oppose higher prices which provide an incentive for production of crops not

needed for the war effort.

As regards increased production by the small farmer, the Farm Security Administration has been doing a splendid job. Davis assisted the "farm" bloc crowd in killing the FSA.

Davis, as War Food Administrator, had veto power over all OPA plans regarding prices to the producer. This seriously affected OPA's program to keep food prices down.

It could not, for instance, place ceiling prices on livestock without Davis' okay, and Davis refused to give that okay.

Now that Davis has resigned, leaders have been able to hold up the nation by simply refusing to deliver cattle unless they get exorbitant prices. That's why there is now a surplus of cattle on the ranges, and a shortage of meat.

The effect of this may well prove disastrous in more ways than one. Cattle use up huge amounts of feed needed for milk producing cows and egg-producing poultry. Failure to

get this feed may affect our milk supply.

Davis' resignation is being widely interpreted as meaning that the War Food Administration will go along with OPA on setting ceiling prices on essential farm products at the source, where that's needed for effective price control.

A curious angle on the Davis resignation is the reaction of those who have demanded a single food "car" to control production and distribution. The demand was made in the interests of "uniting" the food problem.

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## New Food Chief Backs Subsidy Plan

(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, June 29.—Marvin Jones, taking office as War Food Administrator, said today that the nation will "certainly have enough food to assure a healthful diet."

Jones took over the job of carrying out administration food policies following the resignation yesterday of Chester Davis who opposed these policies.

Rep. Clare E. Hoffman, R., Mich.,

most flagrant pro-fascist in the House, in a speech prepared for

delivery on the House floor, urged that Congress "take charge" as it did in enacting the anti-strike law

over Mr. Roosevelt's veto, and ap-

point former President Herbert Hoover as "director of production,

processing, transportation and dis-

tribution of food."

Jones proposed a program to in-

clude:

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cessing facilities; adequate farm la-

bor policy and a feed and credit

program.

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## Seven Killed in Plane Crash Near Augusta, Ga.

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 29 (UPI).—Columbia Army air base officials announced today the names of seven men killed in a crash 25 miles north of Augusta, Ga., near Edgefield, S. C., Sunday night.

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Bakers Union, Local 362, AFL:

Tony Morton of the Communist Party, and Alice Onque, executive secretary of the Ashland Place

Walter Harten.

Miss Fernandez, a beautician, told the group of that at 1:30 last Saturday morning she crossed the street from her home at 1184 Fulton St. to investigate a disturbance.

She found that a white hit-and-run driver had struck another car driven by a Negro, and the Negro had followed him and forced him to the side of the street. Detective Charles Holt of the Brooklyn Borough Bay Squad had fired a shot, drawing a crowd.

As she approached the corner, Miss Fernandez heard the white man say to the officer "All them n— ought to be lined up in front of Hitler's firing squad."

When the young woman objected to this insult against her people, she was kicked and beaten by Detective Holt.

Charged with "disorderly conduct," Miss Fernandez was held for \$500 bail. On Monday morning, in the Pennington Ave. court, her case was adjourned till July 6.

The only possible answer to this outrage, is an immediate delegation to Mayor LaGuardia, demanding departmental charges against the police and an investigation of the 76th Precinct, urged Charles Collins of the Negro Labor Victory Committee.

The group elected a delegation, including Mr. Collins; the Rev. Harten; Councilman Peter V. Cacchione; Fred Turner, and Maude Richardson of the Brooklyn NAACP; Abe Skolnick of the

NAACP.

YONKERS, N. Y., June 29.—Opposition to all "appeasement and negotiated peace forces" and a demand that the United States declare war against Mannerheim Finland was expressed in a resolution adopted by more than 350 participants in the Joint Baltic Festival held here last week.

The Festival, arranged by the Baltic-American Cultural Council, was attended by Americans of Estonian, Latvian, Lithuanian and Finnish origin.

The resolution condemned the lies and slanders against our great Soviet ally" which are being spread by fifth column elements, and it exposed these lies in some detail.

"As against the fifth column disruptive propaganda of the pro-fascist groups," the resolution said, in part.

"We are in a position to know and from our own knowledge to bring forward the facts:

"Finland's independence was freely granted by the Soviet Union at the beginning of 1918; but that, in spite of this, the ruling circles of Finland have never given up their intrigues and war instigations against the Soviet people, so that now Finland is at war against the United Nations, side by side with Hitler, sinking our ships and killing our sailors.

"Contrary to the best interests of their peoples, Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania were torn

from the Soviet Union after the first World War, and were set up as the so-called "buffer states" against the Soviet Union, only to fall prey later to the fascistic dictators of Paez, Ulmanis and Smetsa, which coincided with Hitler's advent in Germany.

"The 1940 (July) elections in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, conducted by provisional people's governments through universal, equal and secret ballot, gave to the people of these countries their first opportunity, after years of disfranchisement, to express their real will: national self-determination.

Therefore, the subsequent voluntary joining of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania to the Soviet Union, under their own governments and constitutions, and with full cultural and inner autonomy, as guaranteed by the Constitution of the Soviet Union, is clearly to be accepted as being in full accord with the principles of self-determination of nations, for which we fight in this war."

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# Denounce Whitewash of Detroit Riots

## Grand Jury Probe Asked

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

DETROIT, June 29.—The people of this city are not accepting the whitewash report on the anti-Negro riots issued by Governor Kelly's "fact-finding" committee.

The Governor's committee declared it had found no evidence that the riots were inspired by fifth column forces. It recommended against a Grand Jury investigation and praised the Detroit police, ignoring the fact that most Negro victims of the riot were killed by police bullets.

Rev. Charles Hill, chairman of the Detroit Citizens Committee and pastor of the Hartford Baptist Church, stated today that hundreds of affidavits would be collected to show the need for a thorough Grand Jury investigation.

An office for assembling this data has been established at the YMCA, 835 E. Elizabeth St., by the Citizens Committee and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The Citizens Committee is composed of church, Negro, labor and civic representatives.

"There will be an attorney at this office," said Rev. Hill. "Everyone with information as to the organized nature of this outbreak should come to the office and make out an affidavit. We also want affidavits giving evidence on the police attitude toward the Negro people."

### URGE TROOPS STAY

Hill urged that the troops remain in the city at least until after July 4.

Detroit's Mayor Jeffries has appointed a committee of 12 civic leaders—six of them Negroes—to explore the cause of the riot and recommend ways of preventing a recurrence.

Rev. Hill was named to the committee. He said today that the committee could serve a real purpose if it agreed in advance to attack the problem vigorously and make its report public.

"I am going to insist on this when the committee has its first meeting," he added. "We don't want anymore whitewash committees."

Statements on the riots, which aided Hitler by curtailing production for several days, came yesterday from two important publications—the Detroit Labor News, official organ of AFL unions in Detroit and Wayne County, and the Wayne County Democrat, influential pro-Roosevelt weekly.

### AFL REACTION

The Detroit Labor News declared editorially that the "mills of Axis propaganda have been fed the best legitimate fodder they have had since the United States entered the war." The editorial pointed out the failings of Mayor Jeffries and the police department, and concluded:

"There is still a war to be won. Labor does not want any more interruptions. It regards the enemy at home with the same contempt it does the enemy abroad. And it will be just as relentless in destroying him—he is political, fifth columnist or weasel—worded fact dodger."

The Wayne County Democrat published a leading article by editor Fred Fisher stating: "What we need is a grand jury for the high-ups. Who is to blame?"

Indications of the organized nature of the violence are in the following paragraphs of Fisher's article:

"From our sixth-story window in the Lawyers' Building at 2 P. M. Monday we watched the scene below with growing indignation."

"Open cars, loaded with assassins at heart, armed with ball bats, clubs and lead pipes, leaped out to join the mob while the driver sat in the car. Not a policeman in sight."

The Wayne County Democrat supported fully the 8-point program advanced by R. J. Thomas, president of the United Auto Workers. The program is headed by a demand for a special grand jury "with a competent Negro attorney appointed as an assistant prosecutor."

## Hurt in Plane Crash



Seven-year-old Rueben Silva is treated for severe burns by Dr. Claude Steen, at a Huntington Beach, Cal., hospital. He was one of the 49 persons injured and burned when a blazing pilotless Army F-35 plane crashed and exploded at Huntington Beach.

## Detroit Youth Blame KKK for Race Riots

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

DETROIT, June 29.—There was much mention last week of teen-age youths in the mobs whipped up against the Negro people.

But Detroit youth leaders do not want the nation to accept these references as a picture of this city's young people.

Many dramatic demonstrations indicated how the overwhelming majority of the youth reacted to the anti-Negro. Thirty white and 25 Negro young men in the army at Camp McCoy, Wis., showed how they in their letter to the Mayor of Detroit, describing the anti-Negro riots as a "stab in the back" of the Connally-Smith-Harness anti-labor bill.

Equally dramatic was the high-school graduation exercise from which white youths marched out courageously beside their Negro classmates to protect them from a threatening mob.

Other stories not so dramatic on the surface show the daily work carried on by youth organizations to offset the effects of the riots.

### YOUTH STATEMENT

A statement to Detroit youth was issued jointly during the outbreaks by Donald Thurber, executive secretary of the Metropolitan Detroit Youth Council, and Arthur Bowman, chairman of the Negro Youth Council for Victory and Democracy. The statement declared:

"We have just lived through a shameful and terrible day, in which the living forms of fascism invaded Detroit's streets, killing and maiming our people, partly paralyzing war production, threatening the national unity of all American youth to win the war."

"This was not caused by a chance fist-fight. Though many ordinary Negro and white citizens were involved, through prejudice, panic or ignorance, this does not explain it either. Monday's outbreak can only be understood as the fruit of long-standing ignorance and prejudice, deliberately fanned into flame in this war period by the Ku Klux Klan and other forces which are either actual Fifth Column or aid the Fifth Column by placing race prejudice ahead of America's victory in the war. This was insurrectionary activity."

The statement called upon white youth leaders to take "immediately and firmly steps" through churches, schools, in the shop and community, to "reassure the Negro youth of our friendship and common cause."

It called upon Negro youth leaders to "help Negro youth understand that this disturbance is not representative of the feelings of the overwhelming majority of white American youth."

**YCL BRANDS INCITERS**

The Young Communist League of Michigan, representing white and Negro youth, likewise branded the

## Packinghouse Union Maps War Convention

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau)

CHICAGO, June 29.—A new milestone in the history of the American labor movement is drawing near as the Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee of the CIO prepares to become a full-fledged international union.

This has been long dreamed of by old-timers in the packing industry who worked and fought to build a union under the leadership of William Z. Foster and the late Jack Johnstone a quarter of a century ago.

The National Wage-Policy Conference of the PWOC, scheduled to convene in Chicago July 8, will set the date for the calling of a constitutional convention.

What the packinghouse workers and their union do will vitally affect every home in America.

### CIO KEYNOTE

Packinghouse workers say that the focal point of the July 8 conference and the preparations for a convention is the keynote sounded for the entire CIO by the CIO national executive board meeting, presided over by President Murray, in Cleveland last month. The Cleveland meeting resolved:

"Every single request or proposal made by the CIO during this present war is based upon the grueling test whether it will serve to support our Commander-in-Chief Franklin D. Roosevelt and aid the nation in our war for survival."

The importance of the Cleveland program for unity around President Roosevelt and President Murray has of course been heightened by the action of Congress in overriding President Roosevelt's veto of the Connally-Smith-Harness anti-labor bill.

Various pro-Lewis and Trotskyite minorities are hoping to seize upon the bill as an excuse for attacking labor's no-strike pledge, but President Murray has already answered them by his letter commanding the President for vetoing the bill and renewing labor's no-strike promise.

### PACKERS ANTI-UNION

The anti-union attitude of the big packers is notorious. It is paralleled by their attitude toward increasing production. The PWOC has repeatedly called attention to the fact that the industry furnishes one of the worst examples of manpower hoarding and mishandling to be found anywhere. Workers continue to average less than 40 hours per week. The packers have made little response to the War Labor Board's request that the work week be extended.

3. Immediate re-opening of all playgrounds with paid supervisors. Establishment of new playgrounds and recreational centers in con-

tingent areas.

4. Immediate utilization of Negro and white youth to their full capacities in war production. Hiring and upgrading of Negro young men and women. Elimination of Jim-crow, anti-Semitism, and other forms of discrimination against minority groups.

5. The establishment of an overall plan for the immediate mobilization of Detroit's youth in a comprehensive war services plan."

## Senate Hits Kerr Blacklist For 3rd Time

(Continued from Page 1)

Mead of New York and Bennett Champ Clark of Missouri.

Rep. Vito Marcantonio blocked consideration of the conference report on the House floor early in the day, and forced the Rules Committee to bring in a special resolution sustaining the House position in favor of firing the three employees.

Rep. Hamilton Fish made the only speech House action in approval of the black list.

Marcantonio speaking in opposition declared that "the only crime these men committed is that they are anti-fascists."

"They fought for Loyalist Spain. And our boys in uniform now wish there was a Loyalist Spain rather than a Franco Spain."

## THE DALEY FAMILY



## NEWS FROM THE MIDWEST

### CIO Delegation Hits Congress Absenteeism

(Continued from Page 1)

make a radio speech.

Another delegation which went to the Department of Justice met with the head of the Civil Liberties Unit and demanded an immediate investigation to focus the spotlight on the fifth column activities behind the Detroit riots.

### EXCITING GATHERING

It was a very unusual and exciting gathering to take place in a congressional committee room. Rep. Samuel Dickstein, New York Democrat, who is chairman of the House Immigration and Naturalization Committee, had loaned the room to the delegation.

Congressman Dickstein addressed the delegates and stated he "was only too glad to cooperate with a group of citizens who in my opinion are fighting for a right, and just cause." He stated that he would work for repeal of the Smith-Connally Act and demanded that steps be taken to prevent future race riots from occurring.

Congressman Walter Lynch of the Bronx also came in to address the delegates and got a cheering ovation when he demanded action to "get relief for the people in our district in so far as the mounting cost of living is concerned." He expressed the sentiment of all the delegates when he declared that "the only way to stem the tide of inflation is to back President Roosevelt's policies to the limit."

The delegates were particularly outraged at the Jim Crow discrimination in the Capitol Restaurant which prevented Negro members from securing any food during the entire day. The delegation adopted a resolution of protest and calling for congressional action to remedy for a constitutional convention.

Many grievances have piled up, masking necessary consideration of stronger machinery for peaceful settlement of disputes. Adjustment of wage inequalities, the fight for labor-management committees, a minimum guarantee of 40 hours a week, and where possible 48, are some of the pending issues tied up with the need to increase production.

In the Swift chain, the workers want to eliminate the much-hated Bedaux system and put into effect a real wage incentive system, which would be based on union participation in working out pay rates and would bring about increased wages through increased production.

### ARMOUR SCHEME

The main conclusion expressed at the meeting was for more labor congressmen from New York City and that the only way to get it was through CIO community councils and making sure that trade unionists vote in the coming primaries.

Leaders of each of the delegations reported on interviews with congressmen. In far too many cases they were unable to see congressmen who were out of town or dodged them. In those cases where congressmen did see the delegation, the delegation usually got a favorable response.

Also in the lobby were CIO unionists from New Jersey, who visited their congressmen and came to the conclusion that most of them were anti-labor and would be replaced in the next election.

Most of the absentees congressmen had good excuses as to why they were not at hand last Friday to support the President. As one delegate reported, it was all very well for Congressman James J. Jefferman to state he was all for the President's program and always voted for him, but the CIO delegates posed the problem in its true light when they declared "But when are you going to vote?"

### 13-Year-Old Gets 20-Year Sentence

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., June 29 (UPI).—Thirteen-year-old Edward Dow was sentenced today to 14 to 20 years in state prison for the hammer slaying of Miss Lydia Cook, 72, for whom he worked occasionally as a chore boy.

The schoolboy, youngest defendant ever to be tried for murder in Massachusetts, was convicted by a jury of manslaughter last week in connection with the slaying, which occurred on April 8.

The prosecution contended that robbery motivated the crime while Dow's counsel argued that the boy killed the woman in self-defense and "heat of blood" after he called him a name reflecting on his birth.

### Midwest Notes

By Frank Ryhlick

Last Sunday's PM carried a story from Washington dealing with a government investigator's report filed a year ago on the anti-Negro riots at the Sojourner Truth housing project in Detroit.

The report contains a great deal of excellent material, but anyone who was in Detroit during last week's riots can point out the danger of accepting it as the sole explanation for what President Roosevelt called an insurrection.

In the excerpt of the report quoted by PM is a picture of the deep-rooted economic problems faced by Negro and Polish minority groups in Detroit. But these excerpts tend to dim the explanation of the fascist elements behind the Sojourner Truth as the "Communist point of view" which has "just enough truth" to make it "plausible and dangerous for the worried Negroes."

Just how an awareness of the fifth column activity in the case could be "dangerous" is not readily apparent, but it should be noted, as PM does with respect to this section of the report, that a grand jury indicted three persons for "sedition conspiracy" in connection with the Sojourner Truth riots.

Two of the indicted persons—Parker Sage and Garland Alderman were officers of the National Workers League. A third, Chandler, worked closely with the League in an effort to keep Negroes out of the project. The League is a fascist organization without any trappings.

On July 24, 1932, Parker Sage spoke in the Detroit Creamery Park. Swastikas waved over the platform. Sharing the platform with Sage was an official representative of the Nazi government.

Sage attacked Negroes and Jews, and called Germany "the most democratic country in the world."

On March 18, 1942, Garland Alderman opened an official meeting of the League by reading a communication from George Deatherage, founder of the American Nationalist Federation, which had the swastika as its official emblem. Alderman read also from an official League circular the following words:

"The idea of fighting for British Imperialism, making the world safe for Communism and for imposing the Jewish banking system on all peoples of the world in the name of the Atlantic Charter, without the legal authority by Roosevelt and Churchill when our nation was supposed to be neutral, is neither patriotic or American."

Sage and Chandler also spoke that night, referring to the Negro people in the most obscene language.

The Justice Department says it has a reason why Sage, Chandler and Alderman are still untried and free to testify against Negroes before the Detroit City Housing Commission. A spokesman gave an "off-the-record" explanation to the delegation that went to Washington last week from Detroit and New York.

Whatever this explanation may be, and only the Department of Justice can make it public, the lesson of Sojourner Truth points warningly to the danger of publishing anything which directly or indirectly tends to minimize the fifth column element behind last week's anti-Negro violence.

It is also dangerous to draw general conclusions indicating that last week's riots may have been due to Polish-Negro friction.

Undoubtedly, there were Polish-Americans in the mobs of hoodlums which served as fifth column so well. But observers who were in the midst of the mobs know that there were men and youths of every extraction. The most vicious assaults on the Negro people came from organized gangs striking out from cheap hotel and flophouse areas just beyond the center of the city. These were not Polish-American elements.

The fascist "KNAPP" (Committee of Americans of Polish Descent) certainly must bear its share of responsibility, but the implication cannot be left, as it is by the article in PM, that the Polish people and the Negroes are two hostile camps in Detroit.

The city of Hamtramck, which is surrounded on three sides by Detroit and seems part of Detroit to everyone but loyal citizens of Hamtramck, has a large Polish population and several Negro neighborhoods. There was no violence among the people of Hamtramck. The only threat of trouble came when a gang of about 35 white invaded Hamtramck in cars and were promptly arrested. None of them lived in the community.

It should also be emphasized that at no time was there any trouble at Sojourner Truth last week. The Negroes and white people of the neighborhood are living in peace, and have been ever since the government cracked down on the conspiracy behind the original riots—or rather since the government cracked to the extent

## 'We Made a Mistake,' Say 8 War Workers Who Were Misled Into Striking at Rail Mill

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
GARY, Ind., June 29.—"We made a mistake," said eight of 15 "butchers" whose short strike caused a temporary shut down of the Gary works rail mill week before last.

"We believe we made a mistake in following the lead of men who want us to forget that our country is at war, and that our armies and the armies of our allies are waiting for the steel coming through our departments," said the eight men in a statement, approved by a local member of the Indiana State CIO Council.

The eight men are Negroes. "We have just returned to work in the rail mill after the mill had been down nearly three days and nights," says the men's statement, which is dated June 21.

"Our grievances are real and just and the company should give immediate and favorable consideration to them. The fact that the company has played around with these grievances shows that there are company officials who don't care whether the mill is down or not."

"FELL INTO TRAP"

"Therefore, when we followed the lead of those who shut her down,

we actually played into the hands of these company officials. We fell into a trap."

"We know that there are in this country men who are interested in making peace with Hitler and would sell out our liberties and destroy our unions. There are men like those in Detroit, Los Angeles, Beaumont, Tex., and Florida, and as they will do here in Gary if we do not expose them and stop them."

The signs are Arvester Lee, Ollie Dillard, Paul Mahone, Marion McKinney, Lloyd Schaffer, Charles Holland, Millard Clark and Alexander Moore.

## 100,000 Clevelanders Sign CIO Petition Demanding Roll-Back

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
CLEVELAND, June 29.—Over 100,000 Clevelanders have already signed the CIO petitions to roll back prices to the September, 1942, level.

The Cleveland Industrial Union Council has been taking the vital issue of reducing the high cost of living to the people of this city—at their homes, at shopping and on the busy street corners.

The CIO is receiving the support of the YWCA, the Urban League, the Consumers League and the International Workers Order.

Last Saturday afternoon more than 2,500 signatures were collected in two hours at three street booths downtown. A sound truck was used and some ingenious unionists decorated street poles with articles of clothing and food, labeled "In Sept., 1942, this article cost you . . . Today you have to pay . . ."

UAW members of the Fisher Body local secured over 3,000 signatures in five days.

### AFL, CIO SUPPORT

The success of the drive has stimulated other actions throughout the state. In Mansfield, the roll-back campaign has become a real community project. Starting out with 200 people who attended a monthly meeting of The Public Affairs Committee of Local 711 (Westinghouse) United Electrical, Radio and Machine, CIO, the campaign spread until it had the endorsement of every AFL and CIO local in the city of 35,000 people.

The Mayor of Mansfield presided at a meeting held last week, which was broadcast for two hours over one of the local radio stations.

The Cleveland Machinists locals are setting an example for the AFL here by organizing neighborhood price roll-back conferences and obtaining thousands of signatures to petitions.

For two weeks now the CIO has obtained permits to operate roll-back signature tables on main streets. The effect of the campaign is to bring the CIO closer to the people in general and to dispel some erroneous notions about it.

### OFFICE WORKERS HELP

Here is a typical account of the experience of Prudential Insurance agents, members of the United Office and Professional Workers, who have been gathering signatures at one of the tables.

"Three pretty young war workers sporting their identification badges needed no persuasion to sign the petition. They were sold on the idea. At the table they saw a copy of the CIO 'All-Out For Victory' pamphlet. They opened it and the first thing they noticed was the no-strike pledge. 'Hm, no strike,' they sneered, 'when all Lewis does is strike.' The office worker at the table immediately got into discussion with them, explaining that Lewis walked out of the CIO because of its primary concern with winning the war and explained to them the no-strike pledge. The girls went away really impressed and instead of being hostile to the CIO they are now sympathetic.

"Two other office workers approached the table, picked up pencils to sign, then they saw the CIO on the petition, and started to walk away because 'they would not have anything to do with Lewis.' One of the office workers at the table took them aside, and explained that the CIO opposed Lewis, and what the CIO stood for. Both of them then signed the petition, saying 'Okay, but you ought to get out a petition to put Lewis in jail.'"

### Cacchione Speaks On Italy Tonight

Councilman Peter V. Cacchione and Israel Apter, chairman of the Communist Party of New York State, will address a meeting of Italian-American members of the Communist Party and the Young Communist League this evening.

The meeting is scheduled to start at 8 P. M. at Irving Plaza, 13th St. and Irving Place.

The State Committee is urging the attendance of all Italian-American members of the Communist Party as very important work will be outlined.

## ACA Raps Lewis in Connally Bill Passage

Treat the organizers of the anti-Negro riots in Detroit, Beaumont and Mobile as traitors, said a strong declaration by the international executive board of the American Communications Association, CIO, yesterday. The ACA board charged John L. Lewis with responsibility for the passage of the Smith-Connally bill.

Civic authorities in Detroit, said the ACA leaders, "are giving aid and comfort to the enemy by attempting to whitewash an insurrection against law, order and decency."

Asking President Roosevelt for an immediate investigation by the Department of Justice, and punishment of the fifth columnists, the ACA leaders continued:

"If the organizers of these riots had been landed on our shores by Axis submarines in order to sabotage our war production they could not have been more effective..."

"Franklin efforts by Detroit officials to make it appear that these riots were not Axis inspired will provide encouragement to the KKK, Bundists, followers of Gerald L. K. Smith and other native fascists to continue to organize these riots in other war production centers..."

"It is no accident that fascist agents chose Detroit, the nation's leading heavy industry center, for the dissemination of fascist racial theories and the promotion of racial disturbances."

**JOB FOR NEGROES**

The ACA leaders pointed to the harmony between Negro and white workers in the communications industry, where the union is placing Negro operators on ships and winning jobs for hundreds of Negroes in telegraph offices.

The executive board, which includes delegates from all communications departments—telegraph, marine, radio and cables, broadcast and telephone—also blamed John L. Lewis for his responsibility for the passage of the Smith-Connally anti-labor bill.

The Board ordered the creation of a four man committee composed of two selected by the company and by the union to work out a job classification system and determine proper rates of pay in the plant.

Approximately 8,000 persons are employed in this division of the company which is engaged in war production. The board accepted the union contention that a new classification system was called for since the company had partially converted to new types of production and the present classification system has been effect for 40 years.

In the event that the company cannot agree on the classifications, it may request the NNLB to appoint a fifth member to serve as an impartial umpire. The job classification and rates of pay arrived at must be submitted to the board for approval.

The Board announced that it had deferred ruling on the union's request for a general wage increase and for a change in piece work rates pending the further investigation of wage conditions at the plant.

## OPA Yields To Hosiery Manufacturers

Consumers were incensed yesterday at OPA's capitulation to hosiery manufacturers. The 25 per cent reduction in maximum prices of Grade B rayon hosiery for women which was to become effective July 16 at all sales levels will not be required.

This was seen as a victory for the manufacturers who have fought grade labeling of hosiery as well as roll-backs in prices. The action endangers grade labeling and price roll-backs which went into effect recently on Grade A rayon hose. This is no way to hold the line, consumers feel.

At the same time OPA announced that meetings with the industry at which its members can report their experience with rayon hosiery regulation will be held in Washington July 8, 9 and 10. This opportunity was promised at the time the price regulation on Grade A rayon hose became effective May 15.

The 25 per cent reduction in the grade B ceilings is being eliminated, OPA said, because of the industry's representations that larger quantities of Grade B hosiery than were anticipated will be on the shelves of retailers and in wholesale warehouses on that date, and that large losses would result if the industry were forced to sell at the lower prices.

This answer satisfies no one except the hosiery manufacturers and persons in OPA who are undermining the President's inflation program.

## Urge Huge Turnout for Fur Election

The rapid progress of the International Fur and Leather Workers, CIO, and its forefront role in the war effort, was yesterday reviewed in a printed statement distributed by the "Rank and File Furriers for a United Administration."

The statement stressed the importance of registering a maximum vote as members of the New York Furriers Joint Council prepared to ballot on officers and business agents today and tomorrow at the union's auditorium, 280 W. 35th St. Polling booths will be open from 8 A. M. to 7 P. M.

"We succeeded in defeating every conspiracy," said the statement referring to the years of past strife in the union, "every attack and every effort of our enemies to destroy our organization. It is an established and well known fact among the fur workers and in the ranks of labor generally, that our union today is more powerful than ever before, that the condition of the fur workers is better than ever before. Moreover, our union is known and recognized as one of the cleanest and most progressive unions in the country."

The statement noted that within a very short time the union headed by Ben Gold succeeded in organizing 40,000 leather workers although the AFL had tried it unsuccessfully for 50 years. This was on top of achieving 100 per cent fur organization.

A section of the statement describes the union's activity in raising funds for war causes, blood donations, bond purchases and the fur vest project for the merchant seamen, concludes that it "will forever remain as one of the most glorious chapters of our union's history."

The union's treasury, without special assessments or taxes, is stronger than any time in its history, the statement declares.

At the same time the statement expresses concern for the future when post-war difficulties will face the union and industry.

"Will our union be powerful enough to safeguard the workers' conditions after the war?" asks the Rank and File. In replying to the question the statement stresses the urgency of maintaining unity and strength "so that we may be able to meet all eventualities."

**SELLY SPEAKS**

In an address to the delegates President Joseph P. Selly reviewed the wage increases won by tens of thousands of workers in Western Union and Postal Telegraph but added:

"At this stage . . . the fight for a proper home front war program is more urgent than the fight for wage increases."

"The labor movement must take leadership in getting a program of genuine economic stabilization. Our wage increases will become less than meaningless if we don't give the same energy in our fight for a stabilized economy as we have given to the fight for wage increases."

"America suffered a serious setback on the production front in Detroit this week. Preliminary estimates indicate that the rioting directly caused absences from work totalling more than one million man-days. That is only a small part of the total cost to war production."

"From a preliminary survey, we estimate that the two days of senseless rioting in that one city cost the nation a worse setback in the production of planes, tanks, material and other equipment than it had suffered from all the labor disputes in the entire nation in the first two months of this year."

"The rioting will cost our fighting men much needed equipment."

"In accordance with our responsibility to secure maximum production by war workers, the WPA labor production office calls upon trade unions and management to join at once with other civic groups to seek out and correct the causes of racial strife. To the extent that these causes may involve shortages of community facilities, our office will be ready to render every possible effort to secure remedial action."

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Every war relief agency in the country, the USO, United Seaman's Relief, the Russian, Greek, United Chinese, Norwegian, French, Belgian, British, Czechoslovak, Polish, Dutch, War Prisoners—will share and share alike in the two local baseball doubleheaders today.

The Dodgers will meet the Cincinnati Reds at Ebbets Field in two games, with an added program that sounds like hot stuff.

The Giants will meet the champions St. Louis Cardinals in two games at the Polo Grounds, with a United Nations parade as a main feature.

About \$250,000 is expected to be raised in the course of the day, first of two war relief days dedicated by baseball to the support of the United Nations.

The Dodger twin bill will begin with festivities at 1 P. M., and a ball game at 1:45. Field events between the Reds and the Dodgers will enliven the afternoon. And two of the Flatbush favorites, Dixie Walker and Bobo Newsom will entertain. Of Dixie will sing "My Buddy," believe it or not. Bobo will do impersonations of President Roosevelt, Winston Churchill and some others.

By the way, Whit Wyatt and Curt Davis will pitch.

In upper Harlem, Polo Grounds' way, men of eleven of the United Nations, together with members of the merchant marine, will parade to the diamond with national colors massed. Madeline Carroll will speak, and the swoonies' sweetie, Frank Sinatra, will give out in tenor. Sinatra alone should be worth the \$1.10 admission.

The parade starts at 1 o'clock. Field events, base-running, fungo-hitting, etc., will take place between the pastimes. The first ball game is scheduled for 1:30.

In all other big league parks today, similar events will be held. A second day for the benefit of the war agencies is scheduled for July 28.

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## Congress Majority



## Uphold the President

ONE of the chief reasons why the Roosevelt administration could not carry through its hold-the-line order up to date, it is quite plain, has been sabotage within the administration itself.

Conspicuous among those who have outrageously obstructed the execution of the President's program has been Chester C. Davis. So far has he gone in this direction that he has had laurels placed upon his head by the arch-defeatist Herbert Hoover. While the rest of the pack have assailed the Commander-in-Chief from the outside, Davis has worked for the defeat of the President from the inside.

The whole country can, therefore, be happy at what has now transpired. We can all take pleasure in the firm and forthright tone of the President's reply to the Davis resignation. It is a reaffirmation of the Commander-in-Chief's determination to win such a victory over prices and profiteering abuses on the home front as will help insure unconditional surrender of the Axis on the military fronts.

It is now incumbent upon the people to fully rally behind the President. There is no room for partisan politics, or anything resembling it, at such an hour.

The getting rid of Chester C. Davis should be only the beginning of the house-cleaning in the governmental apparatus. There is no room for any one in a government post who is blocking the President's program. No less than the generals and colonels on the battle front, those who have positions of responsibility on the home front cannot be permitted to defy the Commander-in-Chief. Vice-President Wallace's sharp indictment of Jesse Jones as an obstructionist emphasizes that there are other enemies of the President's program in such positions.

In this connection, the seriousness of the present situation is illustrated by the concern shown yesterday by the New York Times in its editorial columns. The Times, it is well known, has on the whole played along with those who have been hobbling the President, not only on domestic but also often on foreign policies. Now it becomes disturbed at some of its own handiwork.

This concern stems from the desire of this paper to see an anti-Axis victory. While it does not go the full distance in all-out support of the Commander-in-Chief as yet, the Times begins to grasp the gravity of what is taking place.

The people are disturbed by the Lewis insurrection, the Congressional "revolt," the incitation by Dies and Rankin against minority groups.

At such a time, the people must intervene. From all over the country they can pour in congratulations to the President for his stand in the Chester Davis case. They can insist that subsidies be granted as a means to hold down prices for the consumers. They can demand that the Office of War Mobilization be in reality what it was created to be—a coordinator and planner of the war economy. In every congressional district, the people can gather together to insist that their Representatives in Congress act as patriotic Americans and uphold the hand of the Commander-in-Chief.

## The Real Story of Subsidies

By Bob Digby

All of the enemies of production subsidies in the food production program are enemies of the all-out prosecution of the war. It is necessary that we shall make this clear to the country, to labor, as well as the farmers, and win general support to the concept of production subsidies for food.

This was Earl Browder's advice to a National Committee meeting of the Communist Party a few weeks ago.

In the accompanying two articles, we will attempt to describe the necessity of subsidies for food production and for price control.

We went through one period of inflation that left us bitter with memories, and, if we are wise in the present emergency, we will avoid inflation now as we would the plague.

Who said this?

The words quoted are those of Mr. Edward A. O'Neal, president of the Farm Bureau, as quoted in the *Co-operative Farmer* of Jackson, Miss., August 1941. We wish that we could report that Mr. O'Neal is now fighting against inflation and for government subsidies to farmers, for roll-back and price control, but since he made that brilliantly true statement, Mr. O'Neal has unfortunately been pushed by the "farm" bloc further and further in the direction of inflation. Nevertheless, it is even more correct and true now than it was two years ago that "If we are wise in the present emergency, we will avoid inflation now as we would the plague."

DO FARMERS WANT INFLATION?

The farmers know what inflation means. They have always been among the chief victims of inflation. For them the cycles of booms and busts have always ended in a bust. Every poll that has been taken has confirmed the fact that farmers do not want inflation.

If prices are allowed to go uncontrollably, the farmers' costs will certainly increase more rapidly than their selling prices. Farm production is atomistic—the output of any particular farm is so small in relation to the total crop that the individual farmer has little or no direct control over the price of his product. In any race whose object is to mark up prices to the highest possible levels, the farmer is bound to get left far behind. The Mellon-duPont-Few interests who have control over their monopoly prices and are pushing inflation stand to make a killing.

It must also be recognized that the farmer cannot readily adjust his production to changes in costs. He is limited by production cycles, and sometimes these production cycles range from three to seven years. After putting in three years to add a crop to his herd, the farmer cannot withstand a big jump in feed prices relative to milk prices.

By assuring the farmers of stable prices and guaranteeing them against excessive increases on the cost side, the government can most

effectively assist the farmers to expand their output. The farmer asks only for fair prices that cover his production costs; but such protection cannot be provided unless prices are brought under control and inflation is ruled out.

While the "farm" bloc has sought to masquerade as the champion of high farm prices in order to put over its inflationist proposals, it should be noticed that the "farm" bloc has concerned itself almost solely with price ceilings rather than with price floors.

Though the government has been doing more and more to fix support prices for essential crops, these price floors have too often been for such short periods as to provide insufficient protection over the full production cycle. But the "farm" bloc has shown little interest in this problem, which is as important for the expansion of production; it has preferred to spend its time lifting price ceilings, even where these ceilings were far above the actual selling price of the farm commodities.

PLANNING, PRICE CONTROL INSEPARABLE

The present war is not only a global war but also a total war, requiring planning and the total mobilization of our economic resources. This means that all of our productive resources must be so allocated as to contribute most effectively to winning the war. We cannot have business-as-usual in any sector of the economy. We cannot allow resources to flow into those uses which will pay the highest prices or afford the highest profits.

We would not ask that the Army be required to bid against the Navy for its guns and munitions; and similarly we cannot expect farmers to compete with industry in bidding for steel, fuel, chemicals or manpower. Any attempt to allocate our resources on a price basis would leave the farmers in the weakest position. Most of the farmers would be unable to secure the resources necessary to maintain farm production if they were forced to bid against heavy industry with prices left unregulated. Yet, food is essential to victory, and the nation cannot afford to have food production thrown into chaos.

The government has no alternative except to plan its over-all military and production programs, and it certainly cannot leave out or ignore farm production.

The necessities of war compel the allocation of resources on the basis of their contribution to the war effort, but it should not be assumed that prices can be dropped out of the economy. To be sure, prices lose their power to determine the flow of resources, but we live in a price economy wherein contracts must be met and costs must be covered if business is to continue without undue interruption.

The important point is that effective planning requires effective price control, and effective price control requires subsidies.

If prices keep changing, the problems of planning are multiplied

many times over. There are some small but powerful interests in the economy who are doing everything in their power to prevent the government from controlling prices because they hope to make a killing out of these price disparities; they are bent on creating disparities so that they can increase the amount of their profits. On the one hand they seek to prevent the government from controlling prices, and on the other hand they strive to prevent the government from taxing their profits by promoting tax-freeing schemes.

WHY SUBSIDIES?

Once it is realized that planning and price control are indivisible, the case for subsidies becomes clear. Take, for example, the production of lead. The government needed more lead than was being produced, and, to get more lead, it had to bring higher cost mines into operation. It had the alternative of raising the price paid on all lead that it purchased or, what was far cheaper, of paying a subsidy to cover the extra cost of extracting additional lead supplies. It chose to use subsidies, and has done the same thing on copper and zinc. What farmer would urge that the government pay a higher price for all lead, zinc and copper when, at a fraction of the cost, it can secure the extra output? Yet there are "farm" blocs who insist "subsidies do not increase production." The facts show that subsidies have increased the production of zinc, copper and lead and have saved millions of dollars to the people of the nation.

PRICE CONTROL WRECKERS

The "farm" bloc claims to be opposed to subsidies on general principle, but the truth is that the "farm" bloc is out to wreck price control. That is why the "farm" bloc attacks subsidies with such venom. If the "farm" bloc is opposed to all subsidies as a matter of general principle, why doesn't it object to these subsidies:

1. Cotton bagging is furnished to cotton planters with the government paying half the cost. This cotton bagging substitutes for burlap which was formerly imported.

2. Cotton exports to Canada are being subsidized by the U. S. Treasury. The "farm" bloc has arranged this subsidy in order to hold up the price of U. S. cotton. Canada pays a price equivalent to what it would have to pay for Brazilian cotton, and the U. S. Treasury makes up the difference.

3. The U. S. government is financing the reduction of cotton acreage in Peru. The cotton planters here have supported this subsidy but have nevertheless insisted upon increasing cotton acreage in this country, even though we have a two-year supply on hand and even though much of the acreage could be shifted to more essential crops. At the same time the "farm" bloc has seen to it that the government continued to give conservation payments and other forms of subsidies to the cotton planters.

(Concluded tomorrow)

## Keep Dies Out of Detroit!

By James W. Ford

If Martin Dies and his un-American Committee come to Detroit, you can rest assured there will be new outrages against the Negro people and attacks on the trade unions, the war program and President Roosevelt.

What is needed in Detroit is not more fuel to add to the fire, but suppression of the Ku Klux Klan and all other fifth column groups.

The fervent appeal of the Negro people is: "For God's sake keep Martin Dies Out of Detroit!" The Klan must be suppressed.

James W. Ford

One has to note with alarm that a vigorous campaign is under way to whitewash the Klan as a part of the fifth column instigators of last week's anti-Negro outbreaks. The basis for this whitewash is being laid by such utterances as:

"There is no evidence that this riot was organized in anyway by fifth columnists."

"We should rid ourselves of the idea that the rioting was organized or instigated by enemy agents of the Ku Klux Klan."

"It is nonsense about the racial trouble being fifth column activity."

These declarations come from the Detroit News and its leading columnist, W. K. Kellogg; police superintendent Louis L. Berg; John S. Bugar, head of the local FBI and certain city and state authorities.

All elements of the anti-war coalition and Hitler Fifth Column are still here in Detroit.

SMITH AT LARGE

Gerald L. K. Smith has been scheduled to speak here next week on the topic: "The insurrection in Washington."

The Social Democrats, "Socialists" and Trotskyites are crying: "Never mind the fifth column, the real cause of the riot is Jim-crow, bad housing and job discrimination. Let

Roosevelt remedy these things before we talk about a fifth column."

The Trotskyites, their supporters and collaborators are thus in their special way aiding the fifth column by playing up the grievance of the Negro people and subtly trying to place the blame on President Roosevelt. In obscuring the fifth column, they are prolonging the grievances of the Negro people and preventing a real basis for solution of these grievances.

Another part of this direct and subtle anti-Negro, anti-war activity is the campaign now being started to segregate the Negro people. On June 22, Ralph McGill, editor of the Atlanta Constitution wired to the editor of the Detroit Free Press: "We are working at it (the race problem) as we know Detroit was suppressed."

We all know that the solution proposed from the South is segregation. There are no more vigorous spokesmen of this policy than the Governor of Alabama and Congressman of Mississippi. They are now trying to take advantage of the Detroit situation to establish southern Jim-crow in the north.

RANKIN'S SPEECH

If we need a basis for this southern policy, it was given us by Congressman Rankin on the floor of the House of Representatives several weeks ago. At that time Rankin proposed four solutions for the so-called Negro problem, namely: "one of them is extermination. Another one is deportation. Another one would be amalgamation, which would destroy the white man's civilization."

The fourth method proposed by the Mississippi Congressman was "segregation," under which the Negro would have a better time."

This fourth proposal was repeated again by Rankin on June 22, in a bitter tirade against the Negro people and the war program.

"Detroit," said the Mississippi Congressman, "has suffered one of the most disastrous race riots in history. This trouble has been bas-

tined by the crazy policies of the so-called Fair Employment Practices Committee in attempting to mix the races in all kinds of employment."

HITLERITE SLOGANS

These utterances speak for themselves. They are Hitlerite expressions. They are proposals to segregate the Negro people and to interrupt war production in Detroit plants.

All of this is fuel for the Dies Committee which proposes to investigate Japanese agents who are working to stir up the Negroes and interfere with war production and to break down home front morale.

But the purpose stated by Dies for coming to Detroit is an obvious lie. Everybody knows that Japanese influence among Negroes is so negligible as to serve only as a basis for Hitler's anti-Negro outburst away from the main enemy—the Hitler fifth column, Ku Klux Klan and other subversive groups—and to stir up new outrages against the Negro people. The Negro people demand that these fifth column elements be apprehended at once and that the Ku Klux Klan be disbanded!

The overwhelming majority of the Negro people in the United States and in Detroit are as much concerned as any other section of patriotic Americans that the fifth column, saboteurs and agents of the enemies of nation be apprehended, convicted and sentenced in accordance with the seriousness of their treasonable acts.

The trial and conviction of Japanese agents in New York in January of this year proved among other things that their activity had no influence among the overwhelming majority of Harlem Negroes. The Negro people are convinced beyond any need to lecture them about their patriotism and the effort to accuse them of being influenced by Japanese propaganda, that their fate rests with the fate of the nation!

"For God's Sake Keep Martin Dies out of Detroit."

## Party Life

By C. P. Education Department

## NEW JERSEY CHALLENGES MICHIGAN

New Jersey, which almost nosed out Michigan in the Party Building Campaign, is determined to lead all Party state organizations in the campaign to keep the new members—and specifically to demonstrate it by results in the new members Daily Worker Club Subs.

Carrying their campaign to the country, New Jersey issues a challenge to Michigan, which reads, in part, as follows:

"An enlarged meeting of our state committee, held June 20, decided to issue a public challenge to your district in relation to the key task of consolidation of our new members, namely, the securing of new members club subs.

"Following a discussion of the recent national committee meeting deliberations, 75 leaders of the Party in New Jersey individually pledged to undertake a sweeping campaign to achieve the 100 per cent goal by July 21. For our own state, we have set an intermediate control date, July 15, by which time we pledge our national committee a minimum achievement of 80 per cent.

"This challenge is activated by three main considerations:

"Firstly, your district emerged the banner district in the recent recruiting drive, followed closely by New Jersey. This cannot be written to this drive until, as Comrade Browder has said, the new members in the next six weeks will begin to consider themselves as old members. Thus, we owe the duty to the whole Party to make certain that our recent drive was based on a solid foundation.

"The eagerness of the new members to join our Party must be no less equal to our ability to retain them in our ranks. Should we fail to keep the pace in what must be considered the concluding phase of the recent recruiting drive, we must shoulder the main responsibility for retarding the growth of our Party nationally. We, on our part, would hate to be charged with such a responsibility.

"Secondly, the non-integration of our new members stands in the way not only of solving the new and more formidable tasks but hampers the solution of still involved tasks. Many new members who have come into our Party actuated by the desire to speed the day of victory, nevertheless still have many misconceptions regarding daily policies to bring this result about, policies, for instance, in regard to the Negro people and the war effort, the struggle against anti-Semitism and the unmitigated defeatism of John L. Lewis and his supporters in and out of the labor movement.

"Without the daily guidance of the Daily Worker, it is next to impossible for our new members to give their utmost contribution to labor and the nation. Yet daily guidance to each member, which is not always possible through Party committees, is indispensable at this historic moment.

"Based on experiences in our state, which at this moment has secured less than 10 per cent new members club subs (63 out of 633), we would give the following reasons for the slow tempo of the drive:

"1. Inufficient understanding regarding the key nature of this task. This is emphasized by the fact that less than 25 per cent of old members are subscribers and that the total circulation of the Daily Worker in New Jersey is less than 50 per cent of our old members total. It is obvious that those who themselves do not read the Daily Worker will not be the best 'salesmen' to send to the new members.

"2. The significance of the Daily Worker has not been presented to the new member in terms which he can appreciate. In one case, a new member, a Negro, objected to taking a club sub. He gave a myriad of reasons. But when several articles were shown him in the Daily Worker, particularly R. J. Thomas' statement on the Packard situation, which convinced him of the indispensability of the Daily, he subscribed immediately.

With all this in mind, we are determined to mobilize our Party to fulfill this chief task. We believe that our competition will prove not only of mutual benefit to our whole Party. It will mean much exchange of experience and progress and should help tremendously in achieving our respective goals. The National Committee shall decide the winner in the competition.

"We await an immediate response.

"BILL NORMAN,

"MARTHA STONE,

"MAX STEINBERG."

What is the answer of Michigan to this challenge? What about Illinois-Pennsylvania-Ohio entering into a three-way competition on the same basis as New Jersey and Michigan?

## NEW MEMBERS CLUB SUBS

Nearly 1,300 new members Daily Worker Club Subs have been received to date